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Dear Alec:

I am in complete accord with your suggestion that an agreement should be developed, covering the conditions under which Army Intelligence may conduct espionage and counterespionage operations overseas. It seems desirable that the Navy and the Air Force should be included in such an agreement.

Because of other commitments, I have asked Mr. Wisner to undertake the negotiations on my behalf. He will communicate with you and with Admiral Johnson and General Samford, and call a meeting of representatives of all four agencies to discuss the terms of the agreement.

In the meantime, it might be advisable to have further exploratory conversations between representatives of your office and the Office of Special Operations. If you agree, Mr. Kirkpatrick will pursue the matter further with your designated representative.

Sincerely,

*Bedell*

Walter B. Smith  
Director

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